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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Tania C. Sorrell et al.  
Serial No. : 10/081,838 Examiner: Lori A. Clow, Ph.D.  
Filed : February 21, 2002 Group Art Unit: 1631  
For : MAGNETIC RESONANCE SPECTROSCOPY TO IDENTIFY AND  
CLASSIFY MICROORGANISMS

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October 6, 2005

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SIR:

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby request a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Final Office Action issued on July 6, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. An Amendment was filed on October 6, 2005, and in response an Advisory Action was issued on November 4, 2005 which stated that the period for responding to the final rejection in the July 6, 2005 Office Action continues to run. Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time, from October 6, 2005 to January 6, 2006 for responding to the July 6, 2005 Final Office Action in order to file a Request for Continued Examination.

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The required fee for three-month extension of time is FIVE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00) for a small entity and a check in this amount is enclosed. Applicant has previously established a small entity status. Accordingly, with a three-month extension of time a response to the July 6, 2005 Final Office Action is now due January 6, 2006.

No fee, other than the \$510.00 for a three-month extension of time and the RCE fee of \$395.00 (totaling \$905.00), is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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